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IN CHINA will be held in the Society's  
Medical Chinese Amphitheatre, Canton,  
on THURSDAY, January 17, at 3 p.m.  
Business:—Election of Officers, bearing  
Receiving of Reports, &c. A full atten-  
dance of Members is requested.  
R. H. GRAYES, President  
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Canton, January 10, 1907. 74

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(1) The Bureau of Navigation, Philip-  
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feet 5 inches, depth moulded 7 feet 6  
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engine and is in first-class condition, with  
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attached. Has a boiler of Scotch type,  
diameter 5 feet 6 inches by 8 feet 8 inches,  
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deterioration. This launch throughout is  
in excellent condition and is ready to be  
put into commission at once.

(b) The steam launch JOLO, a sea-going  
launch 65 feet in length over all, beam 11  
feet 4 inches, depth moulded 6 feet 8  
inches, draft 5 feet, built in 1899. Has  
compound surface-condensing engine in  
good order and a boiler of the Scotch type  
in fair condition. All fittings in engine  
room are in good condition. This launch  
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Amoy, January 1, 1907. 4

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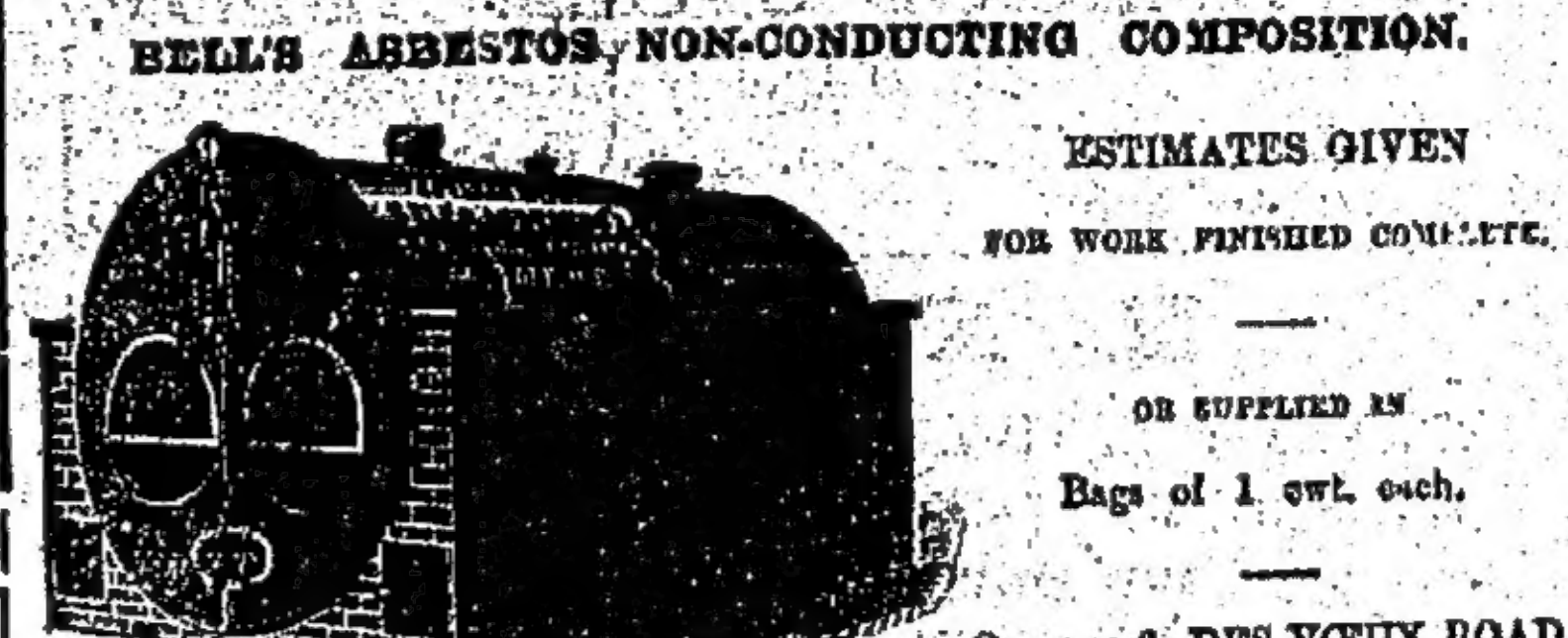
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Hongkong, January 9, 1907. 68

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from The Harbour Master, to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY, the 17th January, 1907, at Noon, on the BOARD,--

The Steam Launch YUT SUM, as she now lies in CAUSEWAY BAY,--

Length over all..... 81 feet.  
Breadth extreme..... 12 ft. 6 in.  
Depth..... 7 feet.  
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Hull, Boiler and Engine built in Hongkong in 1900.  
Taxes:--As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, January 10, 1907. 71

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will let by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY, the 17th January, 1907, at 3 P.M., on the

The Several Lots Numbered 1 to 19 on Plan to be seen at the Auctioneers' Office, for erection of

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Hongkong, January 11, 1907. 78

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the Government, on

SATURDAY, the 19th January, 1907, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, DES VUEX ROAD, Corner of the House Street,--

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Depth..... 9 feet.  
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Hongkong, January 11, 1907. 77

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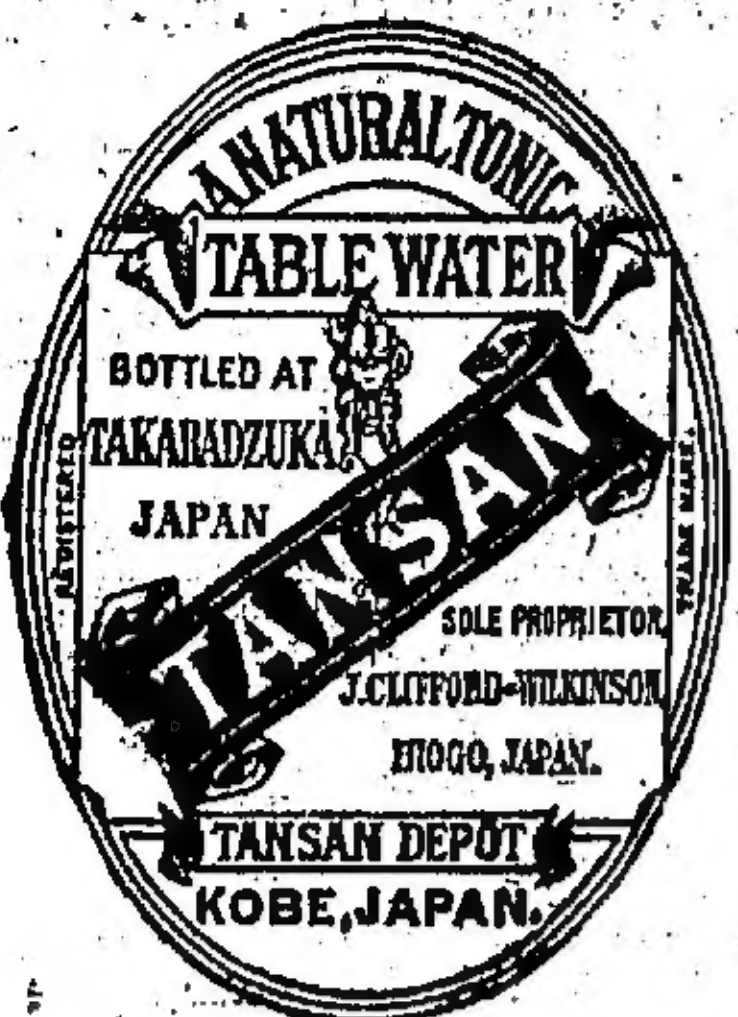
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## MEMOR. FOR MONDAY.

Meeting.

6.30 p.m.—Meeting of Ethen Mark  
Lodge.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Oceanic undelivered after this  
date at Noon will be subject to rent  
and landing charges.Goods per China undelivered after noon  
p.m. this date will be landed.

## General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Silver & Ivory  
Ware, at No. 4, Queen's Road Central.Goods per Arcadia not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17:—

Noon—Auction of Steam Launch Fut  
Sun, on Board.3 p.m.—Auction of Booths & Matsada  
at the Race Course.3 p.m.—Meeting of Medical Missionary  
Society in China, at the Society's  
Medical College, Canton.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18:—

9.15 a.m.—Hongkong Philharmonic So-  
ciety's Concert, at City Hall.Register of Shares of Hongkong Reclama-  
tion Co., Ltd., close from this date to  
28th Jan., inclusive.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19:—

11 a.m.—Auction of Revenue Schooner  
Peng Tai at Messrs Hughes & Hough's  
Sales Rooms.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22:—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's  
Justices of Peace at Magistrate's.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23:—

3 p.m.—Auction of Surveying Vessel  
Ramblor on Board.Transfer Books of China Provident Loan  
and Mortgage Co., Ltd., close from this  
date to 28th January inclusive.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26:—

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of China Provident  
Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., at Co.'s  
Office.Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Land Re-  
clamation Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1907.

## THE CIVIL SERVICE LIST.

THE Hongkong Civil Service List for  
1907 has been issued, and as usual the  
publication is characterised by its ex-  
cellent get-up and the fulness of its  
information. Probably the portion of  
the work which will excite most in-  
terest is that which gives the record  
of the public services of officers and  
incidentally, their stipends. It would  
be a task of some magnitude to dissect  
these pages and find definitely how  
many civil servants are paid on a set-  
ting basis. A glance through the sta-  
tion shows, however, that a very large  
proportion of the men in Government  
employ are paid on that basis and that,  
with few exceptions, it is the men who  
are in receipt of the large salaries who  
are paid in dollars. This means, of  
course, that the incidence of the high  
exchange is bearing most heavily upon  
those who are least well equipped to  
bear it. No doubt it was considera-  
tion of this fact which induced His  
Excellency to attempt to move the  
Colonial Office to make some temporary  
provision to relieve the lower grade  
civil-servants of the burden under  
which they suffer. We recom-  
mend anyone who may have thought that  
we have been labouring these grievances  
to study this section of the List. They  
will be compelled to admit that, in  
many cases, a living wage is not being  
paid and that there is justification for  
a continuance of the agitation. The  
other portions of the book are mainly  
of interest to those in the employment  
of the Government, but a perusal of the  
conditions of service would repay any-  
one who wishes to have definite  
knowledge of the prospects which lie  
before men who serve His Majesty in  
a civil capacity in Hongkong. To be  
perfectly frank it is a surprise to us  
that we have such an efficient body of  
public servants considering the nature  
of the inducements offered. The prospect  
of a pension after twenty years' service  
does not, in our opinion, compensate  
for the evident and present disadvan-  
tages which employment by the Go-  
vernment presents in comparison with  
private employment. If conditions  
remain as they are the Government  
will have to increase the attractiveness  
of the service or they will find that

they will not be able to induce men of  
the class now in the service to qualify.  
Matters of this nature should be de-  
cided by the Governor-in-Council in  
each Crown Colony. The Colonial  
Office has neither the ability nor, it is  
to be feared, the desire to give the at-  
tention they deserve to such matters.

## ENGLAND'S ELEVENTH HOUR.

UNDER this heading a writer in a recent  
*Literary Digest* (New York) tilts gently  
at the British pessimist who is always  
declaring that the Empire is rapidly  
going to the dogs. An article by Mr.  
J. E. Barker in the *Nineteenth Century*  
and *After* is referred to as a good  
example of the depressing jeremiad  
which a certain class of patriot is fond  
of publishing. Mr. Barker declares that  
the Empire is rapidly going down-hill.  
It is following the example of all world  
powers of the past. While the United  
States and Germany are advancing with  
rapid strides in the path of warlike  
strength and commercial and industrial  
prosperity Great Britain "is being  
ruined by free trade, agricultural failure  
and decrease in warlike activity." We  
confess that such bunkum as this irri-  
tates us to such a degree that we find  
it difficult to calmly and dispassionately  
point out the fallacy of the reasoning,  
or rather of the statements. The  
natural inference from the portion of  
Mr. Barker's article that we quote is  
that an increase in warlike activity  
presupposes progress. If this be so the  
Balkans must be the most advanced and  
prosperous portion of the world, as the  
warlike activity there is invariably  
feverish. Of course Mr. Barker does  
not mean his words to be taken literally.  
He is a frantic protectionist and protec-  
tionist realise that the only possible  
hope they have of perverting the fiscal  
faith of Great Britain is to terrify the  
country into believing that it is on the  
downgrade and that nothing can save it  
but taxing its food and everything else it  
uses. These Cassandra-like wails of the  
decay of the Empire, this talk of "rapidly  
ebbing national strength," and all the  
rest of the stock phrases which are shriek-  
ed into unhappy John Bull's ears are  
beginning to become wearisome. Proofs  
of decadence are never given, the pro-  
phets of evil content themselves with  
gloomy prognostications and turn a  
blind eye to the annual shipping and  
commercial returns. Any advance  
made by our rivals is delightedly seized  
upon as a proof that the Britisher is  
done, that his day is over. Even Mr.  
Chamberlain, for whom everyone who  
has a genuine love for the Motherland  
must feel a deep respect, was forced by  
circumstances to endeavour to represent  
Great Britain's condition as being im-  
perilled by her adherence to Free Trade.  
The late elections showed that even his  
powerful persuasion was not sufficient  
to convert the clear and irrefutable  
testimony of the annual trade reports.  
No thinking man can deny that an  
improvement in the trade relations  
between Great Britain and her outlying  
dominions is highly desirable and that  
a change in the system of Government  
which will prevent the Empire from  
becoming what Mr. Barker, with as little  
originality as patriotism, declares it to  
be "merely a geographical expression."

A geographical expression does not  
draw voluntary soldiers from Australia  
and from Canada to fight in South  
Africa. Mr. Barker errs, as his col-  
league errs, in painting the picture so dark  
that it becomes a blur. A picture of  
that kind merely arouses a doubt in the  
mind of the critic whether it is intended  
to be a work of art or a palette for dark  
colours.

Tenders are asked in the *Government  
Gazette* for the construction of a  
floating fire engine of the following  
dimensions:—Length, over all, 68 feet;  
length of keel, 65 feet; breadth, ex-  
treme, 14 feet; depth moulded 7 feet.  
It really seems, therefore, that our fire-  
fighting appliances are to be augmented,  
and for this much thanks will be  
given. The state of our fire engine  
and hose has long been a sore point,

and now that a step in the right direc-  
tion has been taken it is hoped that the  
Government will see to it that progress  
is not stopped until a really efficient  
service is organised. By the way, Mr.  
Halifax, who went Home some time  
ago and who was to examine a number  
of systems, should soon have his report  
in. Until this is received little is likely  
to be done with the fire engine, etc.  
The water difficulty has always been a  
serious one but with the advent of this  
second fire float sea-water may be  
used.

A curious difference is that made in  
local law Courts between Christian and  
non-Christian Chinese and also between  
the "modern" Chinaman and his more  
conservative brother. If a Chinaman  
does not boast modern tendencies, or  
profess Christianity, he may wear his  
hat, or cap, in court with impunity  
but let a man wear a straw hat or any  
such as affected by Westerners and off  
it must come. Also if a Chinaman is  
a Christian, but still wears the usual  
cap, he may not keep it on his head  
without the risk of incurring the wrath  
of the Court, or having it removed by  
the Court usher.

## LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

A coolie was sentenced to four months'  
imprisonment, at the Magistrate's this  
morning, for stealing a number of pine-wood  
poles. The defendant engaged a fishing  
boat and removed a cargo of poles from a  
contractor's yard at Kowloon, and the  
timber was subsequently traced by private  
marks on the poles.

## To Macao.

A special excursion steamer goes to  
Macao to-morrow. The Hongkong, Canton  
and Macao Steamboat Company are des-  
patching one of their newly acquired boats,  
the "Sui An," and as she is an excellent  
steamer, and the weather is glorious, there  
should be a big crowd of excursionists.

## De Beers' Millions of Profits.

At the annual meeting of the De Beers  
Consolidated Mines last month Colonel  
Harris said that the year's diamonds had  
realised £5,607,717, an increase of  
£804,875, the net profit had amounted to  
£2,103,636, an increase of £238,201; and  
£1,500,000 had been distributed in di-  
vidends. They had in right ground enough  
to last at the present rate of production for  
eleven years, and representing an estimated  
output of £84,000,000 worth of diamonds.  
De Beers would be producing diamonds on  
a large scale at the end of the century. A  
resolution was adopted instructing the  
directors to take the steps necessary to  
obviate the payment of the English income-  
tax on the company's profits.

## The Rainfall.

The following table gives the monthly  
rainfall at the Observatory to the end of  
December with the means and extremes  
for 30 years:—

	1906	1884-1905	Mean	Max	Min
January	1.90	1.32	6.43	0.00	0.00
February	2.25	1.86	7.56	0.00	0.00
March	2.63	2.63	10.43	0.00	0.00
April	9.70	9.70	14.80	2.24	0.00
May	11.68	13.43	48.84	1.15	0.00
June	5.90	16.80	34.37	2.34	0.00
July	6.94	13.32	38.24	4.97	0.00
August	3.97	14.22	27.87	5.30	0.00
September	30.60	8.21	19.11	0.63	0.00
October	4.32	4.78	17.30	0.01	0.00
November	1.17	1.73	7.84	0.01	0.00
December	4.68	1.03	4.68	0.00	0.00

The year's rainfall amounts to 77.80  
inches; the 30 years' average being 84.82.

## AMOY RACES.

## Second Day.

We are indebted to Mr. Hough, Clerk of  
the Course for the Hongkong Jockey Club,  
for the results of yesterday's racing at  
Amoy, which are as follow:—  
CHARGE Out. 11 miles.  
Mc Wilson's Ginger.  
AMOY DERRY. 11 miles.  
Mr F. B. Marshall's Diomont.  
CHALLENGER Out. 1 mile.  
Mr Wilson's Rhone.  
EXCHANGE PLATE. 3 miles.  
Mr Wilson's Nimbua.  
JOCKEY Out. 2 miles.  
Mr Gordon Lyle's The Limit.  
RACING SHAKES. 1 1/2 miles.  
Mr Teoman's Trellbube.  
THE AWA Out. 7 furlongs.  
Mr F. B. Marshall's Diomont.

Willie was originally a boy who read  
the newspaper. His father had related  
the story of Daniel in the lions' den, and  
noticed a look of distrust on the eldest  
boy's face. "What are you thinking?"  
he asked.  
"I'm thinking," Willie replied, with  
conviction, "that that must have happened  
in America."

## An Express Wrecked.

The Times correspondent at Paris  
telegraphed last month: "A serious and  
extraordinary accident occurred this morn-  
ing to the so-called Peninsular train  
running between Paris and Marseilles. At  
about 30 kilometres from Arignon, while  
the train was running at a rate of 100  
kilometres an hour, part of a bridge fell,  
wrecking the train. The train was  
immediately stopped. Unfortunately four  
passengers were injured, including two  
Englishmen. According to the *Dispatch*,  
the two passengers severely injured in the  
accident were Mr and Mrs Robert Ham-  
mond. Mr Crawford, of London, was slightly  
injured."

## BY TELEGRAPH.

## RUSSIA.

## MURDERS AND TREASON.

## The Revolutionaries' Aim.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters.  
via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 11.

The many recent murders of officials  
in Russia serve to exemplify the abili-  
ty of the revolutionaries to obtain  
the minutest information regarding  
the movements and habits of the in-  
tended victim, as well as indicating  
the widespread treachery which pre-  
vailed in the bureaucratic camp.

General Pavloff, who was under-  
stood to be the chief organiser of the  
drum-head court-martials, was assassinated  
by both revolutionaries and liberals.

The revolutionaries proclaim that  
they will not rest until the last  
remnant of the present regime has  
been killed.

## [REUTERS SERVICE.]

## OBITUARY.

## Queen of Hanover.

LONDON, January 10.  
The death of the Queen of Hanover is  
announced.

## Colonel Andrieff Shot.

LONDON, January 10.  
Colonel Andrieff, the chief of police in  
Lodz was shot dead in the streets of Lodz  
yesterday. The patrol relayed wounding  
several of the passers by but the assassin  
escaped.

## Pavloff's Murderer.

LONDON, January 10.  
The murderer of General Pavloff has been  
court-martialled and hanged.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOV-  
ERNOR.

LONDON, January 10.  
Sir Matthew Nathan has been gazetted  
Brevet Lieutenant Colonel for distinguish-  
ed services of an exceptional nature, other  
than in the field.

## PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, JANUARY 10.  
The King will open Parliament, with  
ceremony, on the 12th February.

## DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S TOUR.

LONDON, January 10.  
The Duke of Connaught, who is on his  
departure for Hongkong.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

(FROM JAPAN ADVERTISER.)  
AN UNPOPULAR BILL.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.  
King Peter of Serbia, despite the warn-  
ings of his advisers and Russia, signed the  
unpopular Loan Bill, which becomes law  
on January 1, 1907.

## COLOMBIA AND PANAMA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.  
A reconciliation between the two small  
Republics of Colombia and Panama, has  
been planned by President Roosevelt, and  
Secretary of State Root has been men-  
tioned as mediator between them.

## WRECK OF THE "AWA-MARU"

LONDON, December 27.  
The Japanese steamer "Awa-maru"  
went ashore in a blizzard at Redoubt, in  
Yokohama. While at anchor her cable  
broke and she drifted towards the shore.  
The first hit was started on to the  
shore, but two hours later in a cable  
were the first to reach the shore, and  
succeeded in landing the crew.  
All the remainder of the crew, number-  
ing 129, and the two passengers, were saved  
by the life-boat.  
One of the passengers in an interview  
states that the vessel met with terrible  
experience in mid-ocean on Christmas  
Day, some of the crew being slightly  
injured.  
Hundreds of people witnessed the excit-  
ing rescue from the shore.

## RUSSO-JAPANESE TREATY.

LONDON, Dec. 29.  
Those concerned in the Russo-Japanese  
negotiations have issued a reassuring  
statement, declaring that the commercial  
treat



## "ARE YOU A MASON?"

The St. George's A. D. C.

Last night at the Theatre Royal the St. George's A. D. C. presented Messrs Chas. Froman and Geo. Edwards' three-act farce, "Are you a Mason?" The play is so well-known that it is unnecessary to tell the story in these columns. Suffice it to say that the Club gave a capital amateur rendering of the piece, which was heartily appreciated by the audience, and Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, the Stage Manager, is to be congratulated on the success of the production. The cast worked hard from start to finish, and despite the nervousness which naturally attended the first night's performance, acquitted themselves very creditably. In the hands of Mr. F. O. Barlow the part of George Fisher lost few if any of its many excellent points, and in his impersonation of Fanchon Armitage, the costumed, his lady-like behaviour was highly amusing. Mr. G. W. C. Burnett added to his multifarious duties by taking the part of Amos Bloodgood, the old rogue who had posed as a mason for twenty years, and a splendid Amos Bloodgood he made. On the amateur stage we have seldom seen so finished a performance; a fact which the audience were not slow in recognising. Mr. A. Cunningham made the most of his opportunities in the role of Frank Perry, and similar credit is due to Mr. J. B. Northam who played John Halton, the Yorkshire farmer. Special praise must be given to Mr. F. T. Chappell for his splendid rendering of Hamilton Travers, the tragedian. He has evidently studied the character and deserves the applause which was extended to him so many times during the performance. Mr. G. R. Edwards was good in his representation of Ernest Morrison, while Mr. G. A. Dias was quite up to the mark as P. C. O. Mrs. A. Cunningham played Mrs. Caroline Bloodgood in a manner which reflected considerable credit. In the respective parts of Mr. and Mrs. Bloodgood, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Edwards did well, and as amateurs were conspicuous for their naturalness of manner. Miss Barber made a charming Mrs. Perry, and received the applause of all present. The part of Fanchon Armitage was capably filled by Mrs. J. B. Northam, and as Mrs. Halton, the farmer's wife, Mrs. Morris was excellent. Owing to the indisposition of Miss G. King the part of Lettie was taken at short notice by Mrs. Tuxford and the St. George's Club have been lucky in securing the services of this lady, who, although playing a small part, contributed much towards the success of the production. The audience left the theatre well pleased with the performance, and there should be crowded houses for to-night and Monday, when the stiffness and nervousness of a first night will no doubt have entirely disappeared.

## BY WHARF AND WAVE.

A new commercial harbour is to be made near Bremen, estimated to cost 20,000,000 marks, and the State has already voted a credit of more than half that sum for the purpose. It is proposed to place it on the right bank of the Weser, and adjacent to the second free harbour.

Some little time ago it was reported that two big Atlantic liners were built by Messrs Harland and Wolff, at Belfast, in the year 1903, and which had since been lying in the Musgrave Channel, had at length found a purchaser. There is now good reason to suppose that they have been acquired by the Hamburg-America Company, and that their eventual use may be found in employment as transports for the carriage of troops and war material to the German colonies in South-West Africa.

**Germany's Maritime Marine.**  
Some official statistics just published at Berlin afford further testimony to the steady and constant increase of the German merchant navy. It is recorded that the number of sea-going vessels on the Register on the 1st January, 1906, measuring more than fifty cubic metres gross, was 4,320, with a total capacity of 3,726,435 tons gross, and 3,469,292 tons net, against 4,224 ships, 3,517,647 tons gross, and 3,262,876 tons net on the 1st January, 1905. This shows an increase, measured with the previous year, of 98 vessels, 207,609 tons gross, and 116,771 tons net. The sailing-ships numbered 2,999 (317,343 tons gross and 471,638 tons net), there were also 259 sea-going lighters, 327,000 tons gross and 31,961 tons net, and the steamers numbered 1,762 (3,121,412 tons gross and 1,615,475 tons net), an increase of 14 lighters, and an increase of 105 steamers.

## A New Steamer.

The North German Lloyd steamer "Kronprinzessin Cecilie," which has just been launched at the Vulcan Shipyard at Stettin, measures in length, from stem to stern, 708 ft. Her maximum breadth is 72 ft. The displacement is 27,000 tons. In external appearance this vessel resembles the fast liner "Kaiser Wilhelm II." Her engines will develop altogether about 45,000 indicated horse-power, and are calculated to impart to the vessel a speed of 23½ to 24 knots. The consumption of coal amounts to about 700 tons per day, and the bunkers are capable of holding 5,600 tons, about five times as much as the largest type of battleship in the world is capable of taking in. She will be able to accommodate 742 first-class passengers, in addition to officers and crew numbering 695. The "Kronprinzessin Cecilie" is to start on her first voyage to New York on Aug. 6, 1907.

Mr. Youngblood: "Your salad isn't like the salad my mother used to make." Mrs. Youngblood: "Well, your salad isn't like the salad my father used to make."

## CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Two villagers from Kowloon-ting were charged, at the Magistrate's Court, with manslaughter in connection with the death of a coolie convicted of burglary some days ago. As mentioned yesterday the coolie, after serving four hours in the stocks and being locked up all night became ill and had to be taken to the hospital, where he died yesterday afternoon from internal injuries. The man's dying deposition was taken, and to-day, in evidence, it was stated that after he broke into the house at No. 119 Kowloon-ting the inmates woke up and deceased hid underneath the bed. He then made his escape and rushed away along a narrow path being followed by two men from the house. In running deceased fell heavily down some steep steps and, it was suggested, must have received his injuries.

The defendants were acquitted on the charge of manslaughter.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE DOCK TRAGEDY.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir—The Staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. are making a "Fund" for the children of the late Mr. J. R. Craig, to be held in trust for his benefit; and, as Mr. Craig had many friends outside the Docks who can only be made acquainted of the existence of such a fund through the medium of the Press, we appeal to you to give publicity to the fact; and at the same time state that subscriptions will be received by the undersigned or, with your permission, at your office.—  
Yours, etc.,  
R. H. BAXTER.  
(We will have pleasure in acknowledging any sums forwarded towards this fund.)  
E. M.

## THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir—I have read with genuine interest the leader entitled "The Buildings Ordinance" which appeared in your last night's issue. The letter which Mr. Lau Chu-Pak recently sent to the Sanitary Board has brought into new prominence at once the fundamental antagonism between the Sanitary authorities and common sense, and that contempt of the one for the other which is mainly responsible for the present situation. In the face of the "absurdity" that is being enacted, I prefer to hold my peace. But a growing sense of indignation, and a hope, perhaps illusory, that I may contribute to remove certain nuisances impel me at last to open my lips, and to lay before you, Mr. Editor, some views which long have been crying for utterance.

My object is to draw public attention to the insanitary condition existing in that strip of open space between the original Western Market and the old Harbour Master's office. This space is triangular in shape and opened on all sides to the very busy streets of the City, such as Wing Lok Street, Bonham Street, Queen's Road, Morrison Street, etc. Observers passing by the locality can easily imagine that it is a dirty corner of a remote Arabian town and forms no part of a city where one boasts of having an expensive Sanitary Department.

Owing to its situation near the water frontage, the truck puller, the cargo-coolies from the different godowns in the vicinity and the crowding peddlers—rub shoulders there with each other, to the great interruption of traffic and to the terror of ricksha riders and peaceful pedestrians, the general result being a soiled dress or a damaged kimbo. A fruit-merchant who pretends to bargain with his customer does it in the middle of the roadway, and who-over wishes to use the road must wait until the process is completed. The whole place is lined with stalls and booths which have no right of existence, and which must be summarily removed if either our Sanitary Board or Police mean business. As the former, whom the matter directly concerns, says nothing, Bobby, of course, only stares and moves on.

The narrow streets which surround that dingy triangular piece of ground are literally choked with every form of industrial obstruction. The fruiterer, the cigarette vendor, the barber, the parakeet hawk, the cooper and the countless grocery hawkers with goods of doubtful salubrity, plant themselves by the side of each of the tiny passages which thread with the life of a Babel Tower, and do all they can to form a stranglehold cut treating the passer-by with a small which no Sanitary Board worthy that name would allow.—Yours,  
Hongkong, January 10.  
O. M. P.

## COLD.

COLDS are quickly cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It soothes the inflamed throat, relieves the cough, relieves the chest, and cures the cold, effecting a permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. It is pleasant to take. Children like it. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

## REVIEW.

**THE SUNDAY OF WAR.** By Norman James. Kelsale, Essex, London.  
This book is made up of a collection of short stories compiled from the memoirs of an Aide-de-camp of Frederick the Great. All of the stories deal more or less with the great Prussian wars of Frederick's reign, but can hardly be described as martial tales. They are rather unrecorded incidents of the war and are told in an interesting manner such as to render the book a pleasant one to pass away an afternoon or an occasional idle hour with. The Great Prussian King is shown in the light of a military genius, but a kindly and ever resourceful friend, and the reader will follow the account of his many adventures and triumphs with interest and catch from the stories something of the spirit of the times in which he lived. Throughout the book there runs a vein of pathos which is admirably expressed in two or three of the stories dealing more especially with the pathetic incidents of home life that are incidental to every campaign.

## SPORTING.

## Yachting.

An advertisement on page 8 announces that a race will take place for the two classes of cruisers of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on January 37, starting at 10 a.m. The course is round Wai-lan Island (starboard) and back. The entrance fee is \$2, and a cup will be presented for both classes, that is for Chinese and European rigged boats.

## Go-as-you-Please Race.

The course for the Go-as-you-Please race has been decided upon and is as follows:—Start at the Cricket Ground, thence up Garden Road to Kennedy Road to Wong-nel-chong village, up to Bowen Road thence along Bowen Road to Robinson Road along to Rose Villa, back via Calne Road and down Upper Albert road, passing Government House, to Garden Road, and then down to the starting point. The distance is some where in the neighbourhood of twelve miles.  
The race will be held on Saturday, January 26, and entries (\$1) close with the Honorary Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club (Mr. F. Lamert, Messrs Old-bell, MacGregor and Company) on January 15. Further particulars may be obtained on application to Mr. Lamert.

## Racing Notes.

A clear bright day and no mist whatever favoured the "sports" who gathered at the rails this morning. The race-course was beautifully clear, the whole track becoming visible very early, as soon as there was sufficient light to see anything.  
Special interest was taken in the gallops, as there are only two more galloping mornings before the entries close on Saturday next.

The following were the times taken:—  
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## OUR SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Edinburgh, December 14.

The air is filled with a swirl of snow-flakes. They are damp when they rest on the cheek; they melt quickly under the foot of the passer-by; they are cold and wet discomfort; yet they are welcomed as the first fall of the winter; "a' thing long due and come at last." What though they cover the pavements with slush, that most chilling of all mixtures called "snow-bree"? Look over the Forth to the north and mark the Ochills; both are white and glistening in the glimpses of sunlight. One's heart joins to the song of the passing boy as he shouts with all the strength of his lungs—  
"For a' the hills are covered wi' snow,  
An' winter's noo come fairly!"  
He has a bundle of school books under his arm, and without doubt he is thinking that ere long he will have the greatest of all youthful delights, a "skating holiday."

We do not require the snowflakes and the white mantle on the hills, however, to tell us that we are close upon the turn of the year. Every shop window advertises it with sprigs of holly and apples, and the barriers of red and of white. Wherever we turn the eye is assailed with signs of the coming of the festive season. There are toys here and bazaar there; trinkets in this place and little fancy trifles in that, and everywhere and always a constant reminder, by piles of brilliant leaves and heaps of shortcakes, and a host of delicious but demoralising delicacies, that we are in "The Land of Cakes." Christmas is near at hand, and the New Year, and all the world is making ready for the time honoured demands upon the pockets of the old and the attacks upon the digestive organs of the young and inexperienced.

Time, by the way, has a public question of its own just now. That little island on the western coast is agitating itself over the important question, which of the New Year days it shall recognise—the old one or the new. Heretofore the people have kept both, but they have found it too great a strain—as can well be believed! The modern date, we learn, finds greater favour; but there are those who will stick by the "old days and the old ways," and they announce that they will keep the ancient festival, and if necessary the new-fangled one too. As a farmer said of his fellow the other day in discussing the situation, "A wish they may be able to haud out!"

Thanks to the autumn sittings, we in Scotland are being spared the annual flood of oratory which is known as "Parliament out of Session." If there is one thing the ordinary citizen can well do without it is this regular spate of speech from the wandering M. P. And, curious to say, the newspapers are all the more interesting reading for the lack of the long reports. You in the East will also doubtless be thanking your stars that there are few if any of the globe-trotting M. P. on the radar—but you know more about that inflection than we do. It is true, we Scots are being told that there is a great battle in London over the Education Bill—but that Bill deals with England, and what interest therefore have we with that? As a matter of fact we are quite as much exercised over the Church warfare in France. At the data at which this letter is posted, the fate of the Auld Brig of Ayr is more to us than the conflict between the Commons and the Lords; and the removal of the cavalry from Piccadilly jars our nerves more keenly than does the Bill for removing plural voters from the face of the earth.

Lord Rosebery is making the safety of the Auld Brig his own peculiar care. He addressed a great meeting in Edinburgh on Monday, and he has promised to speak in Glasgow next week. It may be said—and there are those who have said it—that he had been better employed taking his share in the large matter before the Houses at Westminster; still, as Scotsmen, we must forget all that for the time being, and thank him for the way in which he has exerted himself to preserve one of our "most historic pieces of masonry." The Edinburgh meeting was held under the auspices of the Pen and Pencil Club. A lecture was delivered by the ex-Lord Provost, Sir Robert Craigmiles, on Scotland's debt to Burns; but of course Lord Rosebery was the great attraction, and he made a short speech in his own inimitable style. What could be better, for instance, than his reference to the jealousy between Edinburgh and Glasgow as "chiefly a question of weather"? All Scotsmen will appreciate the cleverness of the phrase; the narrowing down of the many-city prejudices to the results of the seasons of the east wind and the softness of the western breeze. But as many people said afterwards, "Isn't Rosebery booming; merely a fine phrase-maker? However, as the result of his work, the money necessary for the preservation of Burns' Auld Brig is now practically subscribed.—or will be, that is to say, by the time of the usual Burns' dinners in January." The Pen and Pencil Club which organised the demonstration is a Bohemian dining club of those interested in art, literature, and music, and they did the thing well. The musical programme, wholly supported by members, must be referred to, if only to mention the names of two gentlemen known far beyond our own land,—"Ardie" Menzies, in his Volunteer days one of Scotland's crack shots at Wimbledon, and Dr. Charles Kennedy, a well-known local physician, and son of the famous "Kennedy" the Scotch singer.

(To be Continued.)

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Rev. H. A. Johnston, D. D., of New York, is expected to arrive in the Colony on Monday, and, if so, will probably address the regular meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at 5.30 on Monday afternoon at the European Y.M.C.A., Alexander Buildings.

At noon on December 29th, in the U.S. Embassy at Tokyo, the wedding of Miss Helle Esmine Rine, celebrated American socialite, to Mr. Post Wheeler, Second Secretary of the Embassy, took place in the presence of the many friends of the new couple, including representative members of the corps diplomatique.  
Mr. Holmes Hunt is one of the sixteen men who have been singled out by the King as worthy of the coveted Order of Merit, which was instituted in 1902. Among those upon whom the distinction has been conferred are Lord Roberts, Lord Kitchener, Lord Kelvin, Lord Lister, Mr. John Morley, Sir John Fisher, and George Meredith.

## THE YARN MARKET.

Messrs Cawston Pallen and Co. report for last week:—  
HARIMA.—Our last report was dated the 28th ultimo per se. "Dohi," since when the market has remained dull. The summing districts are reported very quiet and in the absence of any orders from the country dealers are keeping entirely aloof and prices have further declined \$1 to \$2 per bale owing to the impatience of weak holders to realize. The small business reported above has been effected in approved superior bales of 10s., the other counts being more or less neglected. Receipts during the interval have been moderate and with considerable exports to Shanghai and the Coast Ports our stock shows a large decrease on last estimate. This however had no effect on our market which does quiet. No. 6s. and 8s.—No sales or transactions, the demand having greatly unyielded. No. 10s.—A fair business has been effected in well known superior spinning at a decline of \$1 to \$2 per bale. No. 12s.—Small sales at the above mentioned decline in prices. No. 16s.—Trifling sales at quotations. No. 20s.—There is no change in continued quietness of this count. Country orders are very scarce and even superior threads are very difficult to move. Sales during the past fortnight comprised of about 2,771 bales of No. 10s.; 465 bales of No. 12s.; 38 bales of No. 16s.; and 660 bales of No. 20s.; in all about 3,881 bales. Arrivals per steamers "Katsun," "Dohi," "Japan," "Kagoshima," "Maru," and "Aradica" of about 3,377 bales. Shipment to Shanghai and Northern Ports of about 25,000 bales. The uncol stock is estimated at about 142,000 bales.

Under date January 11, Messrs Phoenix B. Patis and Company report:—  
Our last circular was dated the 28th December, 1906.

From a number of causes, which will be presently enumerated, our yarn market has exhibited no signs of improvement. The inability of the market to regain any elasticity is due, among other causes, firstly, to the fluctuations in the rate of exchange with India. Secondly, the scarcity of rice in some of the consuming districts restricts the purchasing power of the natives in the interior. And, lastly, the near approach of the China New Year is responsible for the fact that dealers are chary of entering into any fresh commitments, attention being wholly concentrated upon the settlement of accounts which is the universal custom with Chinese merchants and traders of all classes. The forthcoming yearly settlement has also had the effect of weakening the market through the anxiety of importers to quit their holdings so as to take advantage of the comparatively favourable rate of exchange ruling at the moment. Hence imports have been at a premium. Hence exports have been at a premium in price of \$1 to \$2 per bale on last quotations.

During the fortnight under review sales of almost every count of the Bombay mill's production have been recorded. We have been unable to trace the origin of these sales. Whether the transactions, which have transpired, are on account of yarn imported from India in first hands, or of purchases by Chinese dealers whose failures have thrown the stock back on the hands of importers or their correspondents, it has not been possible to ascertain. The fact remains, however, that sales have actually taken place.

In "yarn circles" the advent of the opening of two new firms of Chinese dealers has been talked about. It is anticipated that these two yarn-dealing firms will commence business towards the end of the current month, or at the beginning of the New Year. We wish them a fresh lease of life of vigour and prosperity.  
No. 20s.—A fair business is reported at a decline of \$1 to \$2 per bale. No. 16s.—Selected threads found buyers at current rates. No. 12s.—A moderate business has been done in selected threads at a decline of \$1 to \$2 per bale. No. 10s.—Cheap prices induced business, simply in the hope of getting better rates after the China New Year. No. 8s.—Remains neglected. No. 6s.—Only trifling business was done. The market closes steady.  
Sales during the past fortnight—16 bales of No. 6s.; 2,865 bales of No. 10s.; 425 bales of No. 12s.; 125 bales of No. 16s.; and 1,080 bales of No. 20s.; in all about 4,670 bales.

Arrivals.—Per steamers "Katsun" and "Japan" (from Calcutta), and "Dohi," "Kagoshima," "Maru," and "Aradica" (from Bombay) of about 4,000 bales.

Shipments.—About 8,700 bales.

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## LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, November 29.

The Radicals have won Haddenfield by a greatly decreased majority. This simply shows that though the Cabinet of all the mischief-makers is simply losing ground, it has not yet lost enough in this particular place to dislodge a representative. The change may thus be tabulated.

Radical decrease	530
Conservative increase	321
Unionist increase	484

and they may each make the best they can of the figures. To my mind it indicates three things. (1) A Unionist who is not sound on Tariff Reform has no chance anywhere. (2) A large body of people are firmly of opinion that the Labour men dominate the Liberals. (3) The Radicals, having been conceded a large amount of rope at the General Election are proceeding to hang themselves as promptly and efficiently as they can.

Alarums and excursions once more, and get again directed against the House of Lords. Nearly seven hundred years ago the Lords won us Magna Charta, under the leadership of Archbishop Langton, when there was no Radical party and even the Socialists were to remain nearly three hundred years in the womb of time. Now Mr. Birrell says he has no use for a bill that has amended, Mr. Lloyd-George darkly suggests that when a bill gets into a china shop, it is time to consider whether the animal would not be more useful as a brace than as a bill, and even the cautious Bryce Minister brandishes a birch rod with one hand and an olive branch with the other. Mr. Balfour, has taken up the challenge, defended the amendments, and dared the Government to dissolve on the question of the dispute.

This is part of the essential tyranny of democracy. Democracy means the rule of the many rather than of the considerate, the promoters rather than the performers, the majority rather than the wisest. A measure of wholesale robbery is introduced, and when it is impeded the Radical cry to us to remodel the constitution. Our British constitution has stood harder knocks than it need expect from the present heterogeneous ministry, and the odds are by no means equal between undisciplined State Socialism and the House of Peers.

The Portsmouth mutiny has produced a few short sentences of imprisonment, and one crushingly severe one, the five years penal servitude allotted to the ring-leader Moody. It is not so very long since a dozen of the ring-leaders would have been flogged by order of the officer in command, within twenty-four hours of the offence. A mutiny in any branch of the Navy is so serious a matter that, at whatever cost to individuals, it must be rendered impossible. When this has been done, then is the time to seek out and remedy grievances.

There is proceeding in the Belgian Parliament an Interpellation on the subject of the Congo Free State. It is very awkward as the Prime Minister is *ex officio* at once counsel for the King of the Belgians (who is practically the prisoner at the bar) and for the prosecution, the Belgian people, who want to understand their right of taxation, and whether there will be anything left to be annexed when Leopold the Magnificent has squeezed the Congo dry. When foreigners criticise the Congo administration they are told that they are interfering with Belgium's business, and when Belgians ask questions they are told they have nothing to do with the King's private affairs. It is altogether rather puzzling.

It has always been known that the King can do no wrong, because his ministers are responsible, but it has taken something over six centuries to find out that the King can do wrong in the exercise of his prerogatives. The King, as the fount of

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